State/U.T.	Broad Age Group of Students	
	6—10	11—13
Uttar Pradesh	61	66
West Bengal	67	74
Andaman & Nicobar Islands	94	94
Chandigarh	87	95
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	79	55
Daman & Diu	100	76
Delhi	84	95
Lakshadweep	97	98
Pondicherry	98	93
ALL INDIA	69	72

Rules for Appointment of Senior Vice-Chairman of KVS

†244. SHRI GOVINDRAM MIRI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 478, given in Rajya Sabha on the 3rd December, 1999 and state:

(a) whether the proposed amendment in the rules of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan for appointment of Senior Vice-Chairman has been made;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the position/capacity of the Minister of State in the Ministry of Education with regard to the Sangathan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JAYSINGRAO GAIKWAD PATIL): (a) to (c) Government has approved the proposed amendment of the Rules of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan to provide for the nomination by the Government of India of a Deputy Chairman of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan. The nomination of the

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Minister of State in the Ministry of Human Resource Development, as Deputy Chairman of KVS has been notified.

Ernakulam Court's Disapproval to KVS Policy

245. SHRI GAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that despite an Ernakulam's Court disapproving of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan policy of labelling the 'senior-most at the station in his cadre' as surplus and posting him out, the Sangathan is still persisting with the said policy, and

(b) if so, the justification and legality thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JAYSINGRAO GAIKWAD PATIL): (a) and (b) No Sir, neither the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala nor the Ernakulam Bench of Central Administrative Tribunal has so far 'disapproved' the KVS transfer policy. However, the Ernakulam Bench of Central Administrative Tribunal had expressed certain views in OA No. 909/99 regarding identification of surplus teachers. The correct position was brought to the notice of the Ernakulam Bench of Central Administrative Tribunal. The applicant has since withdrawn his application from the Hon'ble Tribunal.

Railway's Revised Safety Panel's Recommendations

246. SHRI RAMACHANDRAIAH RUMANDLA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of Railway's revised safety panel's recommendations to reduce accidents; and

(b) the action taken for their implementation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH): (a) The Railway Safety Review Committee set up under the chairmanship of Justice H.R. Khanna, a Retd. Judge of Supreme Court, has submitted Part-I of